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SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE TO BE HELD HERE

Commencing next Friday Evening, March 6

AT ESTANCIA BAPTIST CHURCH

Many Topics of Interest to Sunday School Workers to be Discussed. Missionary Rupard will be Present and Assist.

Program of the Sunday School Institute to be held in the Baptist Church, Estancia.

FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 6TH.

7:30—

Devotional Service.....

..... A. W. Varney, Sup't.

8:00—

The Art of Sunday School teaching.

1—How to Study the Lesson to teach it.....

..... R. L. Aanon.

2—How to Teach the Lesson.....

..... Mrs. Fanny Formby

3—The Use of Helps in the Teachers preparation.....

..... Mrs. D. B. Jackson, Tom Newton

4—The Teachers' Meeting Benefits and Best Methods of conducting such Meeting.....

..... D. B. Jackson, J. L. Rupard

SATURDAY EVENING, MARCH 7TH

7:30—

Devotional Services.....

..... Fred Tuttle

1—Best Methods of Entertaining The Primary Classes.....

..... Mrs. M. A. Kiser, Mrs. Hendrick, Mrs. Pearl Richards

2—How to present the Lesson to the attentive and Careless Pupil.....

..... D. B. Morrill

4—How to Maintain Order in the Classes.....

..... Miss Lura Nisbett

4—Plans to Interest the Boys of the Intermediate Grade.....

..... S. C. Lewis

5—Welcoming the Visitors.....

..... C. B. Howell, A. A. Hine

6—The Sunday School as a Factor.....

(a) In the Work of the Church.....

..... A. W. Varney, M. H. Senter

(b) In Missions.....

..... J. L. Rupard

SUNDAY, MARCH 8TH

10:00 A. M.—Regular Sunday School Session.

11:00 A. M.—Sermon by Pastor.....

12:30 P. M.—Basket Dinner.....

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

2:00 P. M.—

Sunday School Mass-Meeting.

Round Talks on

1—The Needs of our Sunday School and How to Meet Them.....

..... M. A. Kiser, Miss Conn. Fleder

2—The Song Service.....

..... Jack Tuttle, Miss Kate Fielder

3—How to Secure and Increase Regular Attendance.....

..... H. Parsons

4—The Teachers' Training Course.....

..... D. B. Jackson

5—"Gathering up the Fragments," Queries, Etc.....

..... J. L. Rupard

4:00 P. M.—Adjournment.

There will also be a session Sunday evening to be devoted to such topics as shall at the time be advised by our missionary, Bro. Rupard. All topics are to be open for general discussion. A cordial invitation is hereby extended to all Sunday Schools and to all people who are interested in Sunday School work to take part in the exercises. Remember that Missionary Rupard is an expert in Sunday School work and there is a treat in store for all who attend.

Yours For Christ,

PASTOR,

SUPERINTENDENT,

TEACHER.

A son arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Flesher last Tuesday. Mother and babe are doing fine.

Resigns as Bank Cashier to Engage in Law Practice

C. H. Hittson who has been cashier of the Estancia Savings Bank since its organization, on last Monday handed in his resignation to the board of Directors, the same to take effect March 1st. The board accepted the resignation, and elected E. W. Roberson, who has been assistant cashier, to the position. Mr. Hittson will on the first of March form a partnership with E. B. Brumback for the practice of law. Both are well known and well-read gentlemen and we bespeak for them a good practice.

A. L. Green of Mountainair is in town today on personal business.

Blaney School Flagday

Interesting Event in New School District

Good Program is Heard by Large Number of Patrons.

Friday night, the 21st, the eve of Washington's birthday, was observed as Flag Day by the Blaney School, four miles south of town. The teacher Miss Bella Guha had devoted the few spare moments of her school hours for two weeks, or more, in preparing the children for the event. And that night saw a goodly number of patrons and children out to that new house of learning. The program was, in part, that prepared by the Territorial Superintendent of Schools, but there were several other selections, namely: A recitation by Miss Guha on "How our Flag was Made," a paper on "The Meaning of the Day," by John T. Blaney, and an Address by the Rev. W. A. Pratt. The school sang the "Star Spangled Banner," "The Red, White and Blue" and "America." The most beautiful event of the night was the flag drill, Miss Joyce Wiley being Goddess of Liberty, and Miss Irene Pratt organizer. It was a pleasant occasion and a nice little sum was added to the school house fund.

Orders are Followed and no Wrecks Occur

About seventy-five couples answered the special orders of train dispatcher "C U There" last Saturday night, by running double header extra to Walker's Building, where the orders were carried out to the letter until early morning, accompanied by musical strains provided by Miss Ada Mason, Messrs. Lippard, Chavez and Bruner. Decorations were profuse throughout the hall, several head lights dispelling the darkness. At midnight a splendid repast was enjoyed at the Central, and everyone was in the best of humor. To have found a more jovial crowd one would have been compelled to go a long ways. The employees of the Santa Fe Central, under whose auspices the affair was arranged, are deserving of much credit for the manner in which everything moved along, there being no wrecks nor misplaced switches throughout the whole run.

Coal Land Entries Ordered Canceled

Commissioner Ballinger of the general land office has rendered opinions affirming the decisions of the U. S. land office in this city in ordering the cancellation of certain coal land entries which it is alleged were illegally acquired by J. H. Sloan and E. M. Harter. The original entrymen in these cases were C. R. Huber, May Huber, W. E. Martin, George M. Murry, Emma Schenple and Minnie Zimmerman. The defendants still have the right of a further appeal to Secretary of the Interior. The coal land in question is in Sandoval county.—New Mexican.

FINANCES OF SCHOOLS IN SPLENDID SHAPE

All Debts Paid and Will Have Money Left after Eight Months of School. Larger and Better Building a Necessity. Present board Deserving of credit.

The board of directors of the Estancia school district are feeling quite elated over the condition of the finances of the district and well they may. The last indebtedness has been paid, with a sufficient balance to continue the school term the full eight months contracted for, and perhaps an additional month, if the patrons so desire.

When the furniture for the school building was purchased a year ago last fall, there being no funds to pay for the same, a number of the citizens signed the notes both in payment of the furniture and the freight on the same. The present board has just paid the last of these notes, amounting together with the interest to over seven hundred dollars. Today, after deducting the outstanding warrants against the fund there is \$773.53 remaining in the treasury. This amount will continue the school for the eight months contracted, until some time in May, and leave something over \$350.00 in the treasury.

The present board consists of M. B. Atkinson, J. W. Brashers and S. C. Lewis, all of whom have taken a lively interest in the work of the school, giving their time and attention untiringly to its welfare. The terms of the first two directors named, will expire this year, and our people cannot do better than by re-electing them as members

of the board.

The work of the school is superintended by W. R. Shelton, assisted by D. B. Morrill and Mrs. Nellie Rowe. They are doing excellent work, under the crowded and cramped conditions of the school room. A larger and better building is an immediate necessity.

The assessed valuation for the district last year was \$175,000.00, and it should be about the same this year, altho the size of the district has been diminished by the creation of new districts. On a four per cent basis, the district could legally issue bonds to the extent of \$7,000.00, with which a good building could be erected. No doubt a site would be donated, so that all the funds could be used for the building proper.

It is the intention of the board of directors to place the issuance of such bonds before the citizens at the school election in April. Every citizen who has the welfare of children in general and the Estancia district in particular at heart should vote for the bonds. That our school finances are in such good shape at present, all indebtedness having been paid, goes to show that the district will be well able to take care of such bonds in the future.

Let's have a commodious and substantial school house, a credit to the valley and a monument to the class of citizens residing here.

THE WAY TO GROW WHEAT

B. F. WHEEDON.

Here is the best method I have ever tried for raising wheat—one that has always proved successful for me here in the San Luis valley and I am sure will for others. I first disk the ground four inches deep and then cross disk it to the same depth, forming a mellow bed of earth, which I then harrow by plowing eight inches deep. I then harrow, roll and drag the ground until the well pulverized down to the mellow earth when I turned under. (This is thus formed a perfect seed bed. I used only from fifty-five to sixty pounds of seed to the acre, which is from a fifth to a fourth less than would be required for land less carefully prepared.

Hundreds of years ago Fall said, "Tillage is manure." While he was mistaken in this, he was thinking a long right line. The fact is the more finely divided are the particles of soil, the greater the moisture content and the more soluble the plant food. This mellow bed of earth is the best neighbor of moisture that I have ever found. Such preparation of soil will apply to any section whether the crop is to be raised with or without irrigation or by dry farming. If I am to irrigate the crop I wet the ground thoroughly before beginning this preparation. It makes but little difference as to the particular variety of seed selected as there are a number of good kinds of both spring and winter wheat, but it is important to choose good clean wheat.

If there is danger of smut I put the wheat in sacks and stand the sacks in a tank containing a solution of blue stone in the proportion of fifteen gallons of water to one pound of blue stone. The sacks must be covered with the solution and remain in it for twenty minutes. This will kill all smut germs. When the seed is dry enough I drill it three or four inches deep using a press drill and allowing from fifty-five to sixty pounds to the acre. When the wheat is from three to seven inches high, if it becomes weedy or if the ground is inclined to bake, I go over it twice with a weeder. Farmers all over the San Luis valley are using these weedeas with good results. This is all I do un-

til the wheat is ready to harvest except to wet it once when it is about eight inches high and again when it is in full bloom. It is a well matured, heavy yielder.

Much depends on the time of harvesting. If wheat is cut just as soon as the kernel becomes firm the hull is then tough and will stick to the stem and prevent the grain from shattering out while being handled. If harvesting is delayed until the hull becomes too ripe the loss in handling will be much greater. After cutting the wheat, I put it in good large shocks and let it remain so until it is thoroughly cured. I then stack it and let it go through the sweat before thrashing. If my land is strong I raise two crops of wheat and one of field peas, but on land not so good I raise wheat one year and peas the next.

The pens are cut twice each time when they are in bloom for feed for dairy cows or I let them ripen and turn hogs or lambs in on them to fatten, going movable fences to confine them to a small area at one time. This will put the ground in fine condition for another crop of wheat. Some may think there is too much work about this method but last year my wheat averaged fifty bushels to the acre, while other fields in the neighborhood returned only eighteen bushels. The land was practically the same, but the other crops had been put in after plowing the land and harrowing once or twice so I think the gain will pay for all the extra work.—Denver Field and Farm.

Change of Surgeons on Central

Dr. W. E. Sunderland, one of our local physicians and surgeons, has just been appointed assistant surgeon for the Santa Fe Central railway, to succeed Dr. F. B. Romero, resigned. Dr. Sunderland is also examining physician for the W. G. W. and I. O. O. F. He has leased a part of Lentz Building, to take charge April 1st, when he will open an up-to-date office and operating room.

Four Generations Domiciled under one Roof

The Dow home in Estancia is at present sheltering four generations, a circumstance which rarely occurs. Mrs. Dow's aged mother, a little beyond the three score and ten allotted years, has been spending some time here. On Monday afternoon Mrs. N. S. Rose, (nee Maggie Dow) arrived from Carriozo with her thirteen months old daughter, Miss Stella, to make an extended visit with her parents. Mrs. Luttia Bolander, a sister of Mrs. Dow, arrived from her home in Magdalena the last of last week, called here by the serious illness of the aged mother. The latter however, is improving and gaining strength again.

March Takes Office

New Surveyor General Took Charge Monday

No Change in Personnel of Office Force at Present.

John W. March this morning entered upon the discharge of his duties as surveyor general of the district of New Mexico as successor to Morgan O. Llewellyn who has held the position for the past six years. Mr. Llewellyn formally turned over the office to the new surveyor general at the close of business last evening, the transfer having been made after the usual inventory and checking of accounts.

There will be no change in the personnel of the office force, as all of the employees are under civil service. Alan R. McCord will be retained as chief clerk, and Norman L. King as chief draughtsman. There are ten employees all told on the pay roll of the office, exclusive of the surveyor general. Of this number five are draughtsmen, two transcribers, chief clerk, stenographer and messenger. Mr. March himself is a civil engineer and surveyor by profession and was a member of the engineer corps that surveyed the route of the Eastern Railway of New Mexico which is more commonly known as the Belen "cut-off."—New Mexican.

Homestead Filings

Before U. S. Commissioner, Earl Scott.

Walter R. Lamberson, Eastview, sec. 17, 5, 7.

Arthur T. Eaglin, McIntosh, sec. 10, 8, 8.

Noah Osburn, McIntosh, sec. 17, 8, 8.

John Osburn, McIntosh, sec. 17, 8, 8.

Phillip Henry Hoskins, sec. 31, 8, 8.

Dexter Stafford, sec. 5, 7, 8.

W. M. Morris, sec. 32 and 33, 8, 8.

Fred H. White Oskaloosa, Iowa, sec. 1, 6, 9.

Chas. H. White, Oskaloosa, Iowa, sec. 2, 6, 9.

Before U. S. Court Commissioner, John W. Corbett:

Arthur F. Guthrie, Estancia, sec. 18, 11, 8.

Mattie McClav, McIntosh, sec. 34, 3, 8.

Emery C. Telford, Mountainair, sec. 3, 3, 7.

John H. Peden, Willard, sec. 28, 5, 8.

Ira Collins, Mountainair, sec. 14, 3, 7.

John J. Owen, Willard, sec. 20, 4, 9.

Hiram M. Pendergrass, Willard, sec. 35, 5, 8.

Silviano Lafjenness, Manzano, sec. 9, 5, 6.

Scott E. Vanetten, Manzano, sec. 4, 5, 6.

Hezekiah D. Ingraham, Lawton, sec. 4, 3, 7.

Robert R. Neison, Bany, Kansas, sec. 13, 5, 7.

Clara A. M. L. Ballou, Moriarty, sec. 31, 9, 8.

George B. Priddy, Manzano, sec. 9, 5, 6.

Miss Nellie C. Patterson, of Anadarko, Oklahoma, arrived the first of the week to locate at Stanley. Miss Patterson, who is a type, was a pleasant caller at the News Print Shop.

BOOSTERS ARE MAKING GREAT PREPARATIONS

Will be Accompanied by Elks Band on Trade Excursion

WANT SONNETS FOR OCCASION

Will be in Estancia Several Hours on Morning of Friday, March 13. Estancia must Prepare to Entertain Them.

According to the Albuquerque dailies, the full quota of one hundred members of the First Big Trade Excursion has been secured, and the excursion is a sure thing. The different members are taking an enthusiastic interest in the affair, and like everything that the cities and towns of New Mexico undertake, it will be a grand success. A number of the minor details of the trip were arranged at a meeting of the Boosters in the Duke City last Monday night. The boosters will wear uniform caps; they will be filled to overflowing with facts and figures telling of the wonderful advantages of New Mexico's Metropolis; they will probably be accompanied by the Elks band—one of the best, if not the best bunch of musicians in the territory; they will have all kinds of advertising matter and souvenirs; they will form a traveling chorus, led by a famous quartet, singing the praises of not only Albuquerque but of every town at which they stop. For this latter they have asked that every poet in every town along the proposed route write sonnets of the various towns. The Journal has offered prizes for the best songs, and Estancia must have a song to accompany the many others.

The itinerary as outlined, subject to change, is as follows:

Tuesday, March 10—

	Arrive.	Leave.
Albuquerque.....		7:00a
Belen.....	7:10a	9:15a
Mountainair.....	10:30a	11:30p
Willard.....	12:00n	3:00p
Encino.....	4:55p	5:30p
Vaughn.....	6:08p	7:30p

Wednesday, March 11—

Carlsbad.....	7:00a	10:00a
Artesia.....	11:20a	2:05p
Roswell.....	4:00p	

Thursday, March 12—

Roswell.....		3:15a
Texico.....	7:00p	9:02a
Clovis.....	9:20a	1:00p
Melrose.....	1:50p	2:50p
Taiban.....	3:35p	4:00p
La Lande.....	4:15p	4:45p
Ft. Sumner (Sunnyvale).....	5:08p	9:00p

Friday, March 13—

Willard.....	2:52a	9:00a
Estancia.....	9:32a	1:00p
McIntosh.....	1:05p	2:20p
Moriarty.....	2:45p	3:40p
Stanley.....	4:06p	4:35p
Kennedy.....	5:30p	6:05p
Albuquerque.....	8:00p	

Clark Must Wait until August

Santa Fe, N. M., Feb. 26.—The supreme court of the territory adjourned this afternoon to convene again on August 31. The case of Jap Clark, charged with murder in Torrance county, was submitted on briefs and will not be decided until the August term. The following cases were decided today, the decision of the lower court being affirmed in each instance:

C. M. Reade, appellee, against Pilares y Lea; Anna Jasper, appellee, vs. Myra M. Wilson; territory of New Mexico, appellee, vs. Sanchez y Sanchez; and the Home Savings Bank of Des Moines, Iowa, vs. K. S. Woodruff.

The Longfellow program which was to have been given last night by the Ladies Aid of the Methodist church has been postponed on account of the death of the mother of Mrs. Garnett.